## IN THE CLAIMS

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## IN THE SPECIFICATION

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The application is now in condition for allowance. Please call or fax me at (301) 603-9071 if you have any questions or comments.

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## IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-36 (canceled)

-37 (previously amended) . A process for obtaining polyglycolyl urea resin from aromatic diglycinates for insulating electric conductor, in the absence of HCN polluting residues, comprising the following steps:

## A) preparing a methyl diglycinate:

- (i) reacting a mixture of methylhaloester and methylenedianiline in the presence of  $C_1$ — $C_4$  aliphatic solvent under reflux conditions at atmospheric pressure at a solvent reflux temperature of 58-63°C, wherein said methylhaloester is selected from the group consisting of methylbromopropionate and methylchloropropionate;
- (ii) adding triethylamine, at a rate of 0.178 l/hr. per Kg of product;
- (iii)separating the solvent through atmospheric distillation until 40% of its initial volume is recovered;
- (iv) cooling the reaction solution to 20 °C under stirring and then adding water at a volume adequate to dissolve a halogen salt obtained;
- (v) filtering and purifying the diglycinate by washing with water;

- (vi) drying the methyl diglycinate obtained; and
- B) preparing polyglycolyl urea resin:
  - (i) stirring together a suspension of cresylic acid and said methyl diglycinate in a reactor at room temperature, stirring until a solution is formed;
  - (ii) adding methylene diisocyanate under constant stirring to said solution of said cresylic acid and methyl diglycinate, and keeping temperature of said solution from rising above 60 °C;
  - (iii) adding a catalyzer to said solution of ii);
  - (iv) raising the temperature of the solution up to 200° C.;
  - (v) distilling and then cooling the reaction product; and
  - (vi) recovering the polyglycolyl urea resin.
- 38. (Currently amended) The process according to claim 37 wherein the mixture reflux is conducted for 19 hours.
- 39. (Currently amended) The process according to claim 37 wherein the resin obtained is cooled to a temperature of 70°C.
- 40. (New) The process according to claim 37 wherein the catalyst in step B(iii) is 1,4 diazobicyclo (2,2,2) octane.

- 41.(Currently amended) The process according to claim 37 wherein the polyglycolyl urea resin obtained has viscosity (Cp) of 4,800 at 15% solids [at 70°C].
- 42. (Previously Amended) The process according to claim 37, wherein the  $C_1$ — $C_4$  aliphatic is methanol.
- 43. (Previously Amended) The process according to claim 37, wherein the aromatic diglycinate is a methyl diglycinate that corresponds to a stereoisomer mixture having a melting point of 95 116°C